

**REGULAR MEETING  
BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
May 5, 2009 – 4:00 P.M.  
TRIBAL OFFICE BOARDROOM**

1. Chairman Eugene Caldwell called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present. MEMBERS PRESENT: Eugene Caldwell, Laurie Boivin, Jeremy Weso, Kathy Kaquatosh, Keith Tourtillott, and Betty Jo Wozniak. MEMBERS ABSENT: Kenneth A. Fish, (unexcused). Also present: Warren Wilber Sr., Craig Penass, Richard Bugler, Lois Walker, Betty Anderson, Judy Corrigan, and Linda Peters, recorder.

2. Moment of Silence. Eugene Caldwell requested a moment of silence.

3. Election of Officers and Approval of By Laws.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Vice-Chairman

**Motion made by Keith Tourtillott to appoint Jeremy Weso as Vice Chairman. Second was by Betty Jo Wozniak. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Weso), and 1 absent (Fish).**

**Motion made by Keith Tourtillott to close nominations. Second was by Laurie Boivin. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Weso), and 1 absent (Fish).**

Jeremy Weso has been appointed the Vice-Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee.

Secretary

**Motion made by Kathy Kaquatosh to appoint Betty Jo Wozniak as Secretary. Second was by Keith Tourtillott. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Wozniak), and 1 absent (Fish).**

**Motion made by Keith Tourtillott to close nominations. Second was by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Wozniak), and 1 absent (Fish).**

Betty Jo Wozniak has been appointed the Secretary of the Budget and Finance Committee.

APPROVAL OF BY LAWS

There were no changes to the By Laws.

**Motion made by Keith Tourtillott to approve the By Laws as presented. Second was by Betty Jo Wozniak. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent (Fish).**

**Motion made by Jeremy Weso to suspend the agenda to discuss item # 8 – Keshena Animal Help and Rescue Services Funding Request: New Building. Second was by Betty Jo Wozniak. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent (Fish).**

8. Keshena Animal Help and Rescue Services Funding Request: New Building.

The Committee reviewed the request from the Keshena Animal Help and Rescue Services for a new building. The current location only has 6 kennels and an estimated 500 dogs were transferred to the Appleton Humane Society, because the Tribe does not have the resources to care for these animals. The Tribe does have money available from the Judgment funds that can support this particular request; however, there will need to be a plan developed.

The Committee discussed that the most essential item needed in the building would be the slope and material of the flooring. It would need to be constructed of durable and easy maintenance material due to the constant water use. The Committee discussed that the area on Go Around Road would probably be the best location for the new kennels.

Richard Bugler will work on the building and maintenance plan for presentation to the Committee at next month's meeting for recommendation purposes.

**Motion made by Jeremy Weso to return to the agenda. Second was by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent (Fish).**

4. Approval of Minutes dated April 7, 2009.

There were no corrections necessary.

**Motion made by Keith Tourtillott to approve the minutes dated April 7, 2009. Second was by Laurie Boivin. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent (Fish).**

5. Update on the April 2, 2009 motion requesting the Budget and Finance Committee to look for more funds and grant match dollars and other grant match staff positions.

Jeremy Weso updated the Committee on the progress that the Tribe is applying for grants. Mr. Weso informed the Committee that we are applying for all tribal specific grant opportunities, and if applicable; the Tribe will apply for any grant(s) that we can actively pursue and compete for.

The Tribe could not compete for three DOE (Department of Energy) RFP's, because the cash match could run as high as 50 percent of the amount awarded. The Tribe has submitted waiver requests with the cash match grants, but it is not known if the Tribe would be awarded the grant or if the waiver will be honored. The Tribe does not have to accept any grants that are awarded.

Mr. Weso also informed the Committee that other tribes can not afford the grant match funds that the RFP's are requested. If the Federal Government sends out Requests for Proposals, the requirements could be lower and we would compete for any allocation given to us. In order to be competitive and selective in which grants the Tribe will accept, additional money would need to be allocated to the grant match account.

**Motion made by Jeremy Weso to recommend to the Legislature that it amend the Tribal Budget Ordinance to add \$100,000.00 to the grant match account and for the monies to be appropriated from the Fiscal Years 2008 carry over funds and that is will be used to apply for grants requiring matches that are associated with stimulus funds. Second was by Betty Jo Wozniak. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 6 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent (Fish).**

6. Update on the MITW Cost Containment Plan and the Effects on Tribal Programs.

Kathy Kaquatosh updated the Committee on the Tribe's implementation of a Critical Cost Containment Plan on March 31, 2009. She explained that the revenue projections and expenses for each individual program is a time consuming activity. Her office is going through each Department with their expenses, and the Finance Department should have the figures available for the next Legislature meeting.

Jeremy Weso informed the Committee that if a Director needs to exceed their budget line item, then a waiver or justification is necessary. The Director's were never told that they could not spend their budgets.

7. Menominee Veterans Funding Assistance Request: Family Fun Day in the Park.

The Committee reviewed the request and noticed that there would be beer/alcohol available at this event.

Due to Tribal policy, the Tribe would not be able to assist in this event. The Veteran's were given other options and avenues to explore for funding.

8. Adjournment.

**Motion made by Betty Jo Wozniak to adjourn the meeting. Second was by Jeremy Weso. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 absent (Fish).**

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, recorder  
Chairman's Office